

DVCTA BOARD MEETING
May 3, 2016

Members of the DVCTA Board met for its regularly-scheduled meeting on Tuesday, May 3, 2016, at Danni Toscano's Pony Island Farm, 418 McFarlan Road, Kennett Square. A quorum was present. President Danni Toscano called the meeting to order at 7:50 p.m. The Board considered and approved one motion this session.

ATTENDANCE

Officers attending: Danni Toscano, President; Alix James and Elizabeth Brenner, Co-Vice-Presidents; Elizabeth Bailey, Recording Secretary; Elsie Kellerman, Treasurer.

Board members attending: Tracey Basler; Sara Gartland; Susan Springsteen; Theresa Monturano, and Aneesa Romans.

Board members excused: Gaye Bergstrom; Lisa Knox, Megan Mendenhall, Corresponding Secretary, and Darcy Miller.

Board members absent: MaryAnne Ost.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The Board unanimously approved a **MOTION** to accept the Minutes from the Board's April 5, 2016 meeting.

COMMITTEE REPORTS

A. FINANCE COMMITTEE
Chair: Elsie Kellerman

The club has \$26,745 in the operating checking account; the show account has \$7,844; the Horse Trials account has \$40,731, and the MOH fund has a balance of \$15,466. The club will consolidate all of these accounts as soon as they are reconciled and have no outstanding checks or deposits.

The accountant now has possession of all of the information needed.

B. MEMBERSHIP COMMITTEE
Chair: Elsie Kellerman

The club has 198 members as of this date, compared to 213 last year at this time. A report with the membership data was sent to the USDF.

C. SCHOOLING SHOW COMMITTEE

Chair: Darcy Miller

Feedback from the membership shows that the idea of sanctioned shows has been well-received.

D. CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW COMMITTEE

Chair: Darcy Miller

No report.

E. EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Chair: Karen Walsh

No report, other than that a lecture will be held at Unionville Equine Associates. More information later.

F. DVCTA SPRING SHOW COMMITTEE

Chair: Carol Lipa

Things are on target for the June 5 Recognized show. Ribbons have been ordered and a judge has been signed. There are no sponsors and volunteers are needed.

G. HORSE TRIALS COMMITTEE

Chair: Danni Toscano & Sara Gartland

The April 30 CT show at Boyd and Silva Martin's Windurra Farm went well, except for some problems on how the condition of the facility after the show; specifically, that some people did not follow restrictions against walking the cross country field. Sara Spriggs was tasked to resolve the problem. Danni will check with Sara to make sure the issue was resolved to the satisfaction of the Martin's.

Entries were fairly low, possibly due to some confusion about dates, although riders were updated about all changes. Some checks are still outstanding but the Committee expects that the CT made a profit. The amount of profit will be forwarded to the Board once Tracy has all the checks and information about the event entries deposit.

H. PUBLIC RELATIONS COMMITTEE

Chair: Liz Brenner

No report.

I. DVCTA SCHOLARSHIP COMMITTEE

Chair: Sue Springsteen

No report.

J. MARILYN O. HEATH JUDGES EDUCATION FUND

Chair: Rita Lowry

No report.

K. EQUIPMENT COMMITTEE

Chair: Danni Toscano

No report.

L. VOLUNTEERS COMMITTEE

Chair: Elizabeth Brenner

Liz will review and expunge outdated information on the website. The club will recognize Volunteer of the Year and Distinguished Volunteer.

M. AWARDS COMMITTEE

Chair: Sara Gartland

Sara has prepared a form for score submission via regular mail and e-mail. An online form will be available later this year. The Committee has finalized rules for year-end awards. There are four categories of awards: Schooling Dressage; Recognized Dressage; Schooling Horse Trials, and Recognized Horse Trials. The Combined Test category has been dropped. Further, awards will issue only to Champion and Reserve Champion, because of limited budget.

N. QUADRILLE TEAMS COMMITTEE

Chair: Anne Miller

The First Level Quad Squad has had three rehearsals so far in preparation for their exhibition ride at the DVCTA Spring Show, on June 5. The theme of the ride is "Uptown Funk."

O. BANQUET COMMITTEE

Chair: Lisa Leanna

No report.

P. JUNIOR TEAMS/ADULT TEAMS

Chairs: Lisa Knox/Sara Gartland

No report for Juniors or Adult teams.

Q. DAD PUB

Chair: Lisa Knox

No report.

R. DIGITAL MEDIA COMMITTEE

Chair: Alix James

The new website is up and running. It is easier to use and to find items and add new material. The club still will continue the Facebook account. The club also has a Twitter account which may be linked into the Facebook account. Terri will look into the mechanics of doing that.

S. GIFTS/PRIZES

Chair: Danni Toscano

There are enough tokens for volunteers, judges, clinicians in storage for the year 2016. Alix presently has possession of the lunch bags, glasses, utensils.

OLD BUSINESS

Aneesa Romans agreed to replace Sue Neilson on the Board and is otherwise qualified to sit on the Board. The Board unanimously approved a MOTION by Alix James, and seconded by Sue Springsteen, that Ms. Romans take Sue Neilson's seat on the Board.

NEW BUSINESS

The Board reviewed the revised committee proposal presented by Alix James, which was well-received and approved by the Board. The Board then gave the Bylaws Revision Group headed by Alix James the authority to include the committee restructuring into the Bylaws revisions.

The meeting adjourned at 9:50 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Elizabeth Bailey,
Recording Secretary